GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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LPG AGENCIES IN MADHYA PRADESH
DALPAT SINGH PARASTE

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government are supplying LPG as per the requirement of Madhya Pradesh ;

(b) if so, the number of new agencies targetted to be set up during the current year in the State; (

(c) the details of the rules governing a gas agency and the action taken in case the rules are not followed ;

(d) the number of applications received for LPG distributorship from Shahdol and Sarguja Sidhi tribal district as on date ;

(e) the number of applications out of those received have been disposed off ;

(f) the details of the action being taken on the remaining applications ; (g) whether the government have received any complaints with regard to appointing any LPG distributor in Shahdol district by ignoring the rules ; and (h) if so, the action being taken thereon ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) : The requirement of LPG of the existing consumers in the State is being fully met by and large.

(b) : 287 LPG distributorships have been planned to be set up under the LPG Marketing Plan 1996-98 in the state.

(c) : The operation and management of the distributorship are governed by various guidelines formulated from time to time by Oil Industry, State Government and other statutory authorities etc. In case of non compliance of laid down guidelines, action is taken against the erring distributors under the Distributorship Agreement / Market Discipline Guidelines.

(d) to (f) : At present, 13 locations have been advertised from the areas in questions which are pending for selection of distributorship

(g) & (h) : As per available information, a complaint was received against the selection made at Pasan in Shahdol district. On investigation, Indian Oil Corporation Limited found it unjustified.